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May 27, 1997

James G. Stull, President
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10643 S. Norwalk Blvd.
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Dear Mr. Stull:

**SUBJECT: CONTINENTAL HEAT TREATING, INC., 10743 SOUTH NORWALK
BOULEVARD, SANTA FE SPRINGS, CA 90670**

This Department has completed a review of the report entitled "Site Assessment Report," dated May 6, 1997, submitted by your consultant, EST. This report documents probable tetrachloroethylene (PCE) contamination of first groundwater.

On-site groundwater was encountered at 68' below ground surface (bgs), with significant PCE-contamination still present at 60' bgs. Only one "non-detect" soil sample (at 65' bgs) is noted and the 68' bgs sample was not analyzed. Therefore, there is a lack of sufficient (usually a minimum 20') vertical clean earth interval/zone for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) above known groundwater.

Based on this data, it is evident that a groundwater monitoring well(s) installation is needed to determine the extent of suspected groundwater contamination and any subsequent remediation which may be required.

As previously discussed, your case file is presently being transferred to the new Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) of the Santa Fe Springs Fire Department (SFSFD). As of July 1, 1997, SFSFD will be the only local agency with hazardous material/waste enforcement authority in the city of Santa Fe Springs. Due to the likely impact of the above-mentioned releases to groundwaters of the state, site conditions are concurrently being referred to Cal/EPA agencies (Department of Toxic Substances Control [DTSC] and the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board [RWQCB]). It is expected that Board staff will review site data and issue site-specific assessment/mitigation orders.

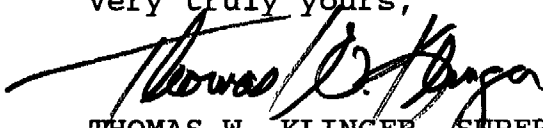
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If you have any questions, please feel free to call George Baker
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Very truly yours,



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